

NaProE HICS Probing the Catholic View of Natural Procreative Ethics

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FDA Commissioner David Kessler Dockets Branch FDA Room 1-23 12420 Parklawn Drive Rockville, MD 20857

RE: Docket 96P0215

Dear Commissioner Kessler:

I agree with the Population Research Institute, Norplant has damaged so many women in so many countries that it must be withdrawn from the market before it can damage any more. Please consider the Norplant petition with the greatest care. Wyeth Ayerst claims Norplant was tested on 55,000 women around the world, yet an estimated 50,000 women are suing the company over the pain their product has caused. We may never know how many thousands of women around the world have had to suffer this drug delivery system's effects in silence because they lacked the legal rights and media outlets that American women have. We urge FDA to prevent more women around the world from needless victimization and to take Norplant off the market.

Sincerely.

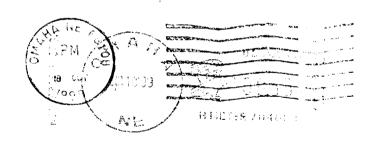
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